

APPENDIX: Intelligence Agencies and Countries in the African State Intelligence Agencies (AFINT) Dataset

Country	Agency Abbr.	Agency Full Name	Found	Dissolve
Algeria	DRS	Department of Intelligence and Security	1962	2016
Algeria	DSS	Direction of Security Services	2016	
Angola	DISA	Direction of Information and Security of Angola (DISA - Direcção de Informação e Segurança de Angola)	1975	1979
Angola	MINSE	Ministry of State Security (MINSE)	1980	1991
Angola	SISM	Military Intelligence and Security Service (Serviço de Inteligência e Segurança Militar) (SISM)	1994	
Angola	SINSE	State Intelligence and Security Service (SINSE)	1994	
Angola	SIE	External Intelligence Service (SIE)	1994	
Botswana	SB	Special Branch	1966	1998
Botswana	SIS	Security Intelligence Services (SIS)	1998	2006
Botswana	DISS	Directorate of Intelligence and Security Services (DISS)	2006	
Botswana	BDF	Botswana Defense Force (BDF)	1977	
Burkina Faso	RSP	Presidential Security Regiment (RSP)	1995	2015
Burkina Faso	NRA	National Intelligence Agency	2015	
Burundi	NSS	National Security Service (Surêté nationale)	1984	2006
Burundi	SNR	National Intelligence Service	2006	
Cameroon	SEDOC	Service des Études et de la Documentation (SEDOC)	1962	
Chad	DDS	Documentation and Security Directorate (DDS)	1986	1995
Chad	ANS	Agence Nationale de Sécurité (ANS)	1995	
Congo (DRC)	SN	Surêté Nationale (SN) (National security)	1960	1969
Congo (DRC)	CND	Centre National de Documentation (CND) (National Documentation Center)	1969	1982
Congo (DRC)	AND	Agence Nationale de Documentation (AND)	1982	1990
Congo (DRC)	SNIP	Service National d'Intelligence et de Protection (SNIP)	1990	1996
Congo (DRC)	DGSN	Direction Générale de la Surêté Nationale (DGSN)	1996	1997
Congo (DRC)	ANR	Agence nationale de renseignements (ANR)	1997	

Egypt	OMIR	Military Intelligence and Reconnaissance Administration (Idarat al-Mukhabarat al-Harbyya wa al-Istitla; OMIR)	1952	
Egypt	GIS	General Intelligence Service (Gihaz El Mukhabarat El 'Amma; GIS)	1954	
Egypt	SSIS	State Security Investigations Service (Mabahith Amn El Dawla; SSIS)	1954	2011
Egypt		National Security Agency (NSA)	2011	
Eritrea	NSO	National Security Office (NSO)	1997	
Ethiopia	PSO	The Public Security Organization (PSO)	1978	1991
Ethiopia	MID	Military Intelligence Department (MID)	1974	1991
Ethiopia	INSA	Information Network Security Agency (INSA)	1991	
Ethiopia	NISS	National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS)	1991	
Gabon	CEDOC	Centre de Documentation (CEDOC)	1967	2016
Gabon	DGDI	Direction Générale de la Documentation et de l'Immigration (DGDI)	2016	
Gambia	NIA	State Intelligence Services (SIS), formerly the National Intelligence Agency (NIA)	1994	
Ghana	FSRB	The Foreign Service Research Bureau (FSRB)	1958	
Ghana	DI	Department of Defence Intelligence (DI)	1960	
Ghana	BAA	Bureau of African Affairs (BAA)	1965	
Ghana	BNI	Bureau of National Investigations (BNI)	1996	
Kenya	SB	Special Branch	1952	1986
Kenya	DSI	Directorate Of Security Intelligence (DSI)	1986	1998
Kenya	NIS	National Intelligence Service (NIS)	1998	
Kenya	DCI	Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI)	2011	
Kenya	MI	Military Intelligence Corps (MI Corps)	2016	
Liberia	NBI	National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)	1960	1974
Liberia	EAB	Executive Action Bureau (EAB)	1960	1974
Liberia	NSA	National Security Agency (NSA)	1974	
Madagascar	FRS	Force Républicaine de Sécurité (FRS)	1959	
Madagascar	DGIDIE	Direction Générale de l'Information et de la Documentation, Intérieure et Exterieur (DGIDIE)	1975	
Madagascar	CIS	Central Intelligence Service (CIS)	2003	
Morocco	DB	Deuxième Bureau (DB)	1956	
Morocco	DGED	Direction Générale des Études et de la Documentation (DGED)	1973	
Morocco	DGST	Direction Général de Surveillance du Territoire (DGST)	1973	
Mozambique	SNASP	Servicion Segurança Nacional Popular (SNASP)	1975	1991

Mozambique	SISE	Serviço de Informações e Segurança do Estado (SISE)	1991	
Namibia	NCIS	Namibia Central Intelligence Service (NCIS)	1998	
Nigeria	SB	Special Branch (SB)	1960	1976
Nigeria	RD	Research department (RD)	1960	1976
Nigeria	NSO	National Security Organization (NSO)	1976	1986
Nigeria	DIA	The Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)	1986	
Nigeria	NIA	The National Intelligence Agency (NIA)	1986	
Nigeria	SSS	The State Security Service (SSS)	1986	
Rwanda		National Intelligence and Security Services (NISS)	1994	
Somalia	NSS	National Security Service (NSS)	1970	1990
Somalia	PIS	Puntland Intelligence Service (PIS)	2001	
Somalia	NISA	National Intelligence and Security Agency (NISA)	2013	
South Africa	SB	Security Branch	1947	1991
South Africa	RI	Republican Intelligence	1961	1969
South Africa	DMI	Directorate of Military Intelligence (DMI)/ Defence Intelligence Division	1962	
South Africa	BOSS	Bureau for State Security	1969	1980
South Africa	NIS	National Intelligence Service (NIS)	1980	1995
South Africa	SASS	South African Secret Service (SASS)	1994	2009
South Africa	NIA	National Intelligence Agency (NIA)	1994	2009
South Africa	NCC	National Communications Centre (NCC)	2002	
South Africa	COMSEC	Electronic Communications Security (COMSEC)	2003	
South Africa	SSA	State Security Agency (SSA)	2009	
Sudan	NISS	National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS)	1993	2019
Sudan	GIS	General Intelligence Service (GIS)	2019	
Tanzania	TISS	Tanzania Intelligence and Security Service (TISS)	1996	
Zimbabwe	CIO	Central Intelligence Organization (CIO)	1963	
Zimbabwe	MID	Military Intelligence Directorate (MID)	1963	

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